

NEPEUSKUN NEWS

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Town Website: Visit www.townofnepeuskun.org The newly designed website has zoning ordinances, permits, Town Board & Plan Commission meeting minutes & agendas, land use ordinances, history, and much more. Check it out!

RUSH LAKE WATERSHED RESTORATION, INC. (RLWRI) is working with Stantec Consulting Service Inc. (Stantec) and Ducks Unlimited (DU) on a plan to eradicate cattails on Rush Lake while enhancing habitat. DU and Stantec have secured funding from Fox River/Green Bay Natural Resource Damage Assessment grant program and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wisconsin Habitat Partnership Fund. DU and Stantec are working jointly on a phase 1 burn that will occur across at least 700 acres in the north portion of Rush Lake. The phase 1 burn may still occur in early Spring 2022, if conditions are not right it will get pushed out to fall/winter 2022. RLWRI, Stantec, and DU, are in the closing stages of mapping out an invasive species treatment that will focus on cattail and include invasive phragmites. Rush Lake Watershed Restoration, Inc. (RLWRI) is a non-profit 501(c)3 for Rush Lake and its watershed. Founded in 2002, its mission is “dedicated to implementing a practical plan that allows Rush Lake, its affiliated streams, and connected wetlands to achieve, their full recreational, aesthetic, and wildlife potentials for the mutual benefit of those who live, work, study, and recreate in the watershed.”

VOTE-VOTE-VOTE – PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR PHOTO ID TO VOTE! - Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. Ballot will include Court of Appeals Judge, Circuit Court Judges, County Supervisor, and School Districts School Board member elections. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Nepeuskun Town Hall, 1475 County Rd E, Ripon.

If it has been several years since you voted, if you’ve never voted in the Town of Nepeuskun, or if you’ve recently turned 18 years old and have never voted before, please consider pre-registering to vote. This can be done online at MyVote Wisconsin: myvote.wi.gov.

You may also request to vote by absentee ballot either by visiting <https://myvote.wi.gov> or by submitting a written absentee ballot request to the clerk. **A copy of your photo ID must be provided at the time of submitting your request.** The request must be in the office of the municipal clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2022.

Additional elections for 2022 will include the Partisan Primary on August 9, 2022 and the 2022 General Election to be held November 8, 2022.

THANK YOU!!

To Kyle Grahn & Beckie Pinnow for their time on the Disaster Relief Grant. The town received \$37,242.98 in reimbursement for town clean up from the summer 2021 storms.



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4H NEWS - Lakeshore 4-H is getting their project ready for the up coming fair this August. We did a donation for the Omro K9 dog. We had Cory Andersen come out and talk to us about the new dog they will be getting. He told us that in the fall he would come out and bring the new dog and talk to us. We will be looking forward to that. We went bowling on March 19th and then enjoyed pizza. If anyone is interested in joining 4-H or would like information, we meet the 2nd Sunday of the month, 2:00 p.m., at the Nepeuskun Town Hall, or you can contact Kathy Wunrow at 920-290-2664. Marion Kuharski will be turning 90 on June 12, 2022. We would like you to come and wish her a happy birthday at the Log Cabin bar on that Sunday, in the afternoon. No gifts just your presence.

We will be having our Annual Father's Day Ice Cream Social on Sunday, June 19, 2022, from 3:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Come and meet your neighbors.



HOME OCCUPATIONS- COVID-19 changed the way that many people live and work. These changes revealed that Nepeuskun's Home Occupation ordinances could be improved. Because of this, the Nepeuskun Municipal Code was expanded; 5.10.18 Home Occupation, Type IV ("Type 4") was added. In a nutshell, Type 4 permits home occupations in dwelling units and accessory buildings, so long as the activities are performed discreetly.

Type 4 is a permitted use in all of Nepeuskun's Residential and Agricultural zoning districts. Type 4 does not have an acreage restriction; this is unique because the other kinds of Home Occupations have a two-acre minimum acreage requirement. Those who are currently under Home Occupation, Type II or Home Occupation, Type III rules may benefit from Type 4. You may meet the criteria of Type 4, which would allow you to switch from those other types. Practically speaking, this would allow those who fit this description to no longer obtain a conditional use permit.

To learn more, please read Type 4's full text at 5.10.18 in the Nepeuskun Municipal Code & Zoning Ordinance. This can be found online at townofnepeuskun.org by navigating through the "Government" menu and the "Documents" sub-menu. If you have any questions, please contact Zoning Administrator, Jeff Kussow, 920-785-7332.

A TV/UTV

Follow all regular traffic laws and all State ATV UTV laws including but not limited to:

- Vehicle must carry current public DNR registration and display registration decals and rear plate.
- Operators and passengers under 18 years of age must wear a DOT approved helmet, all UTV occupants must wear a seatbelt.
- Operators born after 01/01/1988 must complete and carry valid DNR safety certification. **ATV** operators between ages 12-15 must be accompanied by an adult. **UTV** operators must be at least 16 years of age. No person may ride in or on any part of the vehicle not originally designed and intended for passengers.
- Headlights and taillights must be ON at all times. Auxiliary off-road lighting use is prohibited. Vehicle must have a functioning spark arrested exhaust system which does not exceed 96dB with the DNR test method.
- Stay on pavement, single file at the right side of the traffic lane.
- Use hand signals unless vehicle is equipped with turn signals.

Follow local ordinances which may vary. Town of Nepeuskun and Winnebago County regulations specify:

- ATV UTV speed limit is 35 MPH on all (named) Nepeuskun town roads and **designated** (lettered) Winnebago County Highways unless posted lower.
- Operation is allowed from 6:00AM to 10:00PM on Nepeuskun **town roads** except Tri-County Road (Town of Ripon border) from 7:00AM to 9:00PM and during daylight hours only on **designated** Winnebago County Highways.
- Tri-County Road (Town of Ripon border) requires **all** operators to be at least 16 years of age. Winnebago County ordinance (and some surrounding towns) requires ATV UTV operators to hold a valid driver's license on **designated** County Highway routes.
- It is your responsibility to know where you are and the rules for that area.

Please ride responsibly and be courteous to all roadway users and our neighbors. Remember, we are guests on the road. This is a privilege, not a right and all ATV UTV users are judged by our actions.

- Wheelies, donuts, excessive noise and other reckless behavior is not allowed.
- Slow down when meeting non-motorized traffic.
- Snowmobile trails, the Mascoutin Valley State Trail and private property (unless YOU have permission) are off-limits.
- Report dangerous conditions or road hazards to the town board, sheriff's department or ATV club if you are unable to correct the matter.
- For more information contact:

***Fox River Wheelers ATV UTV Club:** on Facebook,
Email frwheelers@gmail.com or call/text 920-379-0868.

*Download the **Polaris Ride Command** mobile app.

***Wisconsin OHV Laws**

<https://widnr.widen.net/s/r57n2bmj5t>

Article submitted by Tom Yancy, Fox River Wheelers ATV UTV Club

Dates To Remember

SPRING ELECTION - Tuesday, April 5, 2022, 7 a.m.-8 p.m., at the Town Hall.

2022 ANNUAL MEETING - Tuesday, April 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m., at the Town Hall.

OPEN BOOK - TO BE DETERMINED. PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE.

BOARD OF REVIEW –TO BE DETERMINED. PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE.

4H FATHER’S DAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL - Sunday, June 19, 2022, from 3:00-6:30 p.m., at the Town Hall

RECYCLING – Every third Saturday of the month – 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS – Every third Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the Town Hall.

REGULAR MONTHLY PLAN COMMISSION MEETINGS – Every second Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the Town Hall.

Town of Nepeuskun
c/o Melissa Gravunder, Treasurer
2301 Wall Street
Berlin, WI 54923

RECYCLING – Every third Saturday of the month – 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Please be respectful of these times. Our recycling attendant is scheduled to work these hours to assist township residents. Thank you.

GARBAGE PICKUP – Private garbage pickup is available in the Town. You may contact Jon Schure for more info at 920-361-2970.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PROVIDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS? The Town of Nepeuskun is continuing to compile a list of residents, landowners and any other interested parties who would desire to be contacted by email with public information. Please visit the Town of Nepeuskun website to register. Look for the Email Sign Up Tab. Your information will not be shared.